



September 2021 Statistical Report

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MAKING STRIDES TOWARDS RECOVERY

SUMMARY

San Antonio International Airport (SAT)'s passenger numbers reached 668,347 in September 2021 representing a 141% increase in passengers when compared to the same month in 2020.

SAT saw impressive numbers of passengers return to the airport this summer fueled by pent up leisure travel demand due to increased vaccination availability and relaxed restrictions across the country. Historically, September is one of the slower months in terms of passenger traffic as the summer ends and children are back at school. Passenger numbers declined from August to September which was expected. Recovery did continue into September as was evident with the 141% increase in passengers compared to the same month in 2020 even with COVID-19 cases rising during this time due to the Delta variant.

As we monitor our recovery, we continue to compare our monthly numbers to the same month in 2019. In September 2021, passenger numbers reached 82% of the levels seen during September 2019.

Additionally, a total of 23,324,129 pounds of air cargo moved through SAT in September, up 8% compared to September 2019 and in line with air cargo levels from the previous month.

(Please see Exhibit A (September 2021 vs 2020) & Exhibit B (September 2021 vs 2019) for a detailed breakdown of all passenger and cargo stats)



DOMESTIC PASSENGERS

SAT continues to compare passenger numbers to 2019 levels to better understand and monitor the recovery. Total scheduled domestic capacity, or seats, were at 80% of what was flown in September 2019. Total seats from SAT in September totaled 803,130 a 3% decrease compared to August 2021. Domestic passengers in September reached 78% of 2019 levels.

This month, American Airlines (AA) continued to show their confidence in our market and flew 8% more capacity to SAT than they did in September 2019.

In September, Southwest (WN) increased both capacity and frequencies to key Texas markets including El Paso (ELP) and Dallas (DAL).

United Airlines (UA) brought back nonstop service to both Newark (EWR) and San Francisco (SFO) while Sun Country (SY) resumed their seasonal service to Las Vegas (LAS).

Delta Air Lines (DL)'s seat capacity for the month of September was 93% of what they operated in the same month in 2019 as a result of adding capacity to both Los Angeles (LAX) and Minneapolis (MSP).

September 2021 vs. 2019		
Airline	Seat Capacity Change	Passenger Change
Alaska Airlines	(46%)	(45%)
Allegiant Air	n/a	n/a
American Airlines	8%	(1%)
Delta Air Lines	(7%)	(22%)
Frontier Airlines	(62%)	(63%)
Southwest Airlines	(33%)	(32%)
Sun Country	(67%)	(64%)
United Airlines	(19%)	(4%)



INTERNATIONAL PASSENGERS

An impressive increase in both international capacity and passengers to and from SAT have helped our recovery. SAT's scheduled international capacity increased by 113% when comparing September to September 2019 while passenger numbers increased 73%.

Due to many factors including the closed land border, demand to and from Mexico from SAT has recovered and increased quickly. Pre-pandemic, nonstop service to Cancun (CUN) on Southwest (WN) would run seasonally from spring break through the summer. Due to increased demand this year, the airline extended their service to Cancun (CUN) which included offering the route in the month of September.

SAT ranked #1 among all U.S. medium-hub airports in terms of total seats to Mexico for September. When looking at all U.S. airports, SAT ranked #9 between Denver (DEN) and Phoenix (PHX).

In September, SAT offered more international seats than any other U.S. medium-hub airport. When comparing all U.S. airports in terms of total international seats offered, SAT ranked #21. Comparing this with the other large Texas airports, Houston (IAH) ranked at #6, Dallas (DFW) at #8, Houston (HOU) at #26, and Austin at #38 of the 66 U.S. airports that had international service in September 2021.

September 2021 vs. 2019		
Airline	Seat Capacity Change	Passenger Change
Aeromexico	124%	118%
Southwest*	100%	100%
Sun Country**	-	-
VivaAerobus***	-	-
Volaris	110%	137%

*Southwest offers seasonal service to Cancún, Mexico.

**Sun Country started service to Cancún, Mexico in May 2021.

***VivaAerobus started service in July 2020



September SCHEDULE CHANGES

United Airlines (UA) resumed key routes from San Antonio to both Newark (EWR) and San Francisco (SFO).

Seasonal Sun Country (SY) service to Las Vegas (LAS) relaunched in September joining Allegiant (G4), Frontier (F9), and Southwest (WN) on the route.

UPCOMING CHANGES

Highly anticipated new carrier **JetBlue Airways (B6)** started **new** nonstop service to New York (JFK) and Boston (BOS), a city that has long been the largest unserved market from San Antonio. Service to BOS and JFK began on October 31st.

Southwest (WN) will launch **new** seasonal nonstop service to Colorado Springs (COS) as well as resume holiday nonstop service to Albuquerque (ABQ) on November 20th.

United Airlines (UA) will relaunch their nonstop service to Los Angeles (LAX) on February 11th. Those looking to go to this West Coast destination can fly on American Airlines (AA), Delta Air Lines (DL), and Southwest (WN) who all currently fly from SAT to LAX.

Delta Air Lines (DL) is scheduled to resume their service to New York (JFK) on March 7th. JetBlue Airways (B6) and United Airlines (UA) currently serve the New York metro.



Exhibit A
San Antonio International Airport
Passenger & Air Cargo Activity Summary Report

	September			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2021	2020	% Change	2021	2020	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	303,036	130,841	131.6%	2,324,674	1,429,027	62.7%
Domestic Deplanements	309,337	131,379	135.5%	2,284,430	1,438,243	58.8%
Total Domestic Passengers	612,373	262,220	133.5%	4,609,104	2,867,270	60.7%
Intl Enplanements	25,118	6,484	287.4%	260,974	62,456	317.9%
Intl Deplanements	30,856	8,758	252.3%	305,167	69,238	340.8%
Total Intl Passengers	55,974	15,242	267.2%	566,141	131,694	329.9%
Grand Total All Passengers	668,347	277,462	140.9%	5,175,245	2,998,964	72.6%
Air Cargo (in Pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	6,247,996	6,888,439	-9.3%	60,626,090	56,562,220	7.2%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	8,691,119	8,778,068	-1.0%	82,230,996	78,311,946	5.0%
Total Domestic Freight	14,939,115	15,666,507	-4.6%	142,857,086	134,874,166	5.9%
Intl Freight Enplaned	562,392	889,066	-36.7%	5,177,794	7,369,888	-29.7%
Intl Freight Deplaned	179,451	288,230	-37.7%	2,006,735	2,562,017	-21.7%
Total Intl Freight	741,843	1,177,296	-37.0%	7,184,529	9,931,905	-27.7%
Total Freight	15,680,958	16,843,803	-6.9%	150,041,615	144,806,071	3.6%
Mail Enplaned	2,798,451	2,235,242	25.2%	20,089,714	16,887,200	19.0%
Mail Deplaned	4,844,720	3,893,549	24.4%	34,225,162	30,605,223	11.8%
Total Mail	7,643,171	6,128,791	24.7%	54,314,876	47,492,422	14.4%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	23,324,129	22,972,594	1.5%	204,356,491	192,298,493	6.3%



Exhibit B
San Antonio International Airport
Passenger & Air Cargo Activity Summary Report

	September			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2021	2019	% Change	2021	2019	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	303,036	394,190	-23.1%	2,324,674	3,706,271	-37.3%
Domestic Deplanements	309,337	391,821	-21.1%	2,284,430	3,671,869	-37.8%
Total Domestic Passengers	612,373	786,011	-22.1%	4,609,104	7,378,140	-37.5%
Intl Enplanements	25,118	15,990	57.1%	260,974	169,233	54.2%
Intl Deplanements	30,856	16,419	87.9%	305,167	177,481	71.9%
Total Intl Passengers*	55,974	32,409	72.7%	566,141	346,714	63.3%
Grand Total All Passengers	668,347	818,420	-18.3%	5,175,245	7,724,854	-33.0%
Air Cargo (in Pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	6,247,996	6,096,427	2.5%	60,626,090	62,292,064	-2.7%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	8,691,119	9,047,537	-3.9%	82,230,996	83,121,581	-1.1%
Total Domestic Freight	14,939,115	15,143,964	-1.4%	142,857,086	145,413,645	-1.8%
Intl Freight Enplaned	562,392	1,057,604	-46.8%	5,177,794	7,203,232	-28.1%
Intl Freight Deplaned	179,451	299,860	-40.2%	2,006,735	1,892,369	6.0%
Total Intl Freight	741,843	1,357,464	-45.4%	7,184,529	9,095,601	-21.0%
Total Freight	15,680,958	16,501,428	-5.0%	150,041,615	154,509,246	-2.9%
Mail Enplaned	2,798,451	1,766,548	58.4%	20,089,714	18,407,849	9.1%
Mail Deplaned	4,844,720	3,415,895	41.8%	34,225,162	34,367,395	-0.4%
Total Mail	7,643,171	5,182,443	47.5%	54,314,876	52,775,244	2.9%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	23,324,129	21,683,871	7.6%	204,356,491	207,284,490	-1.4%